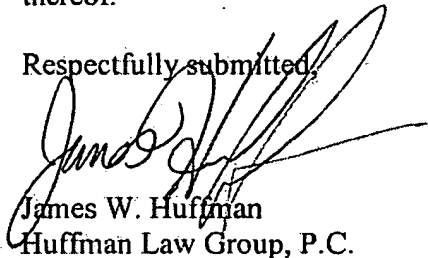


## Remarks

Claims 1-14 were pending in the present application. The examiner allowed claims 1-8 and 10-14 and rejected claim 9. By this amendment claim 9 has been amended. Thus, claims 1-14 should now be in condition for allowance.

Applicant appreciates the examiner's thorough review of this application and his indication of allowable subject matter. Applicant earnestly requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned practitioner by telephone if the Examiner has any questions or suggestions concerning this amendment, the application, or allowance of any claims thereof.

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